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SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL: LESOTHO COMPLAINT AGAINST SOUTH
AFRICA

1. SECURITY COUNCIL MET MORNING DECEMBER 21, AND HEARD STATEMENTS BY LESOTHO FOREIGN MINISTER MOLAPO, AND REPS OF MADAGASCAR (FOR AFRICAN GROUP, LIBYA, BENIN, AND CHINA. SUMMARY OF STATEMENTS BY SEPTTEL.
2. COUNCIL AGREED TO HOLD NEXT, AND LAST, MEETING ON COMPLAINT MORNING DECEMBER 22, AT WHICH TIME DECISION WILL BE TAKEN CONCERNING DRAFT RESOLUTION (USUN 6279).
3. AFRICANS HAVE AGREED TO FOLLOWING CHANGES IN WORKING PAPER. WITH THEIR INCORPORATION, BRITISH CAN JOIN IN UNANIMOUS ADOPTION OF DRAFT. CHANGES ARE AS FOLLOWS:
4. PRE-AMBULAR PARAGRAPH 2: REPLACE "EXPLOSIVE" BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"DELICATE". REPLACE "ITS BORDER" BY "CERTAIN OF ITS
BORDER POSTS."

5. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 3: WILL READ "CONDEMNS ANY ACTION BY SOUTH AFRICA CALCULATED TO DAMAGE THE ECONOMY OF LESOTHO".

6. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 4: TO READ "DEMANDS SOUTH AFRICA TO IMMEDIATELY TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO REOPEN THOSE BORDER POSTS".

7. OTHER REFERENCES IN DRAFT TO "BORDER" WILL BE REPLACED BY REFERENCES TO THOSE BORDER POSTS WHICH HAVE BEEN CLOSED.

8. UK PLANS TO MAKE SHORT STATEMENT MORNING DECEMBER 22. WE SUGGEST THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED TO DO THE SAME, AND THAT WE RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONS AS WELL TO JOIN IN UNANIMOUS ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT. WHILE WE ALL RECOGNIZE FRAGILITY OF CASE, WE RECOMMEND IN STRONGEST TERMS AGAINST BEING ISOLATED IN OUR VOTING.
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